## Art Activity - H2O Bottle of Kindness Isaac and Rebekah

Scripture Reference: Genesis 24 Workshop Focus: God wants us to show kindness to others.

Hold up a plastic water bottle with the label removed. Today, we are going to play the role of the Rebekah in the story and create a simple gift of kindness to share with others.

## Supplies

- A plastic water bottle with label removed, 1 per kid
- White paper (approx. 3" x 6" [7.5 cm x 15 cm], depending on size of water bottles)
- Oil pastels, markers, craypas, or colored pencils
- Clear packing tape

Set Up: Precut strips of white paper to fit around the center section of the water bottles.

## **Activity Instructions**

Has anyone seen a really cool decorated water bottle or soda can? What did you like about it? Why do you think it was decorated? We're going to use that same idea to share the message of today's story. God wants us to show kindness to others, so each of you will create an H2O Bottle of Kindness to give to someone to make their day a little brighter.

Follow these easy directions and kids will leave with an H2O Bottle of Kindness to share the message that God wants us to show kindness and compassion to others.

1. Generate a list of words of kindness and symbols of caring/compassion. Encourage kids to use everyday language, draw from commercials they might hear on TV or radio, and put a new twist on a phrase or caption.

2. Give each kid a water bottle (unopened). Optional: you may choose to remove the label prior to the project.

3. Provide a collection of oil pastels, markers, craypas, or colored pencils for kids to create a personalized message of kindness on the white paper "wrap."

4. Encourage filling the entire wrap with color and design around the message.

5. When finished, wrap the paper around the water bottle and position it in place with a small amount of tape.

6. With an adult's help, seal over the message with a piece of clear packing tape. There will be some crinkling of the artwork, so prepare the kids ahead of time so they are not disappointed. It's ok to not cover it with clear packing tape and instead just lightly tape it to the water bottle.

7. If there is time, kids may create another bottle "wrap" to take home and put on another water bottle.

## What a great way to show kindness toward others, just as God wants us to do!